

the floor and Senator Pirsch wants it to the floor, and I think that we have pretty thoroughly aired the issue of perhaps inadequate rural interest in the metropolitan, primary, and first class cities. Senator Jacklyn Smith also had an amendment and I want to commend these legislators for having brought this bill to the committee. I think we probably are going to take a long look, Senator Wesely, at the entire issue. I will be very honest with you, I don't have the deep concern about the one man, one vote method of election as some people do and I think that usually we have people who are elected that will represent those districts. If the issue becomes a valid one and if the elected members of those boards do not perform their responsibilities in a manner which is deemed wise, I think this Legislature would take a look at it, maybe to even take such a drastic step as to wipe out the entire system, but I think that what you are asking for here might be a little premature. I would suggest if it doesn't pass this time that if we have not taken care of the issue by the next legislative session, that I would support the amendment at that time but I would like to give us a chance to try to get something working a little bit better than it has in the past, and I think Senator Johnson has expressed some concern with it also. He might want to address the issue here at this time also. But at this time, Senator Wesely, knowing your concern but nevertheless I am going to have to oppose the amendment. No real deep convictions on it or no real deep objections, just that I think there is a better way to address it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Nelson, then Senator Sieck.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I believe Senator Schmit somewhat echoed my opinion. I feel that some of this, quite a little bit of this information is available now and I am not quite sure who brought this to Senator Wesely but I know since I have been down here the concern of one man, one vote, and my same thing is I know it is an urban and a rural issue of what is probably coming down to it, who gets the value of the water, who gets the value of the programs, but I think that this is premature and I see this as maybe another way of trying to cut out our NRD boards and so on or to (inaudible) in their operations, and I know maybe there are some points particularly of an interest in the Omaha area, that there are concerns, and I hope that they will be addressed, and through our airing of LB 902 twice, I think that we have given it a lot of